

TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

Deborah Taylor Tate, Director

MEMORANDUM

TO: Docket File No. 05-00244

FROM: Deborah Taylor Tate, Director

DATE: December 19, 2005

RE: Recusal from Docket 05-00244, Application of ESG Pipeline (JC), LLC,

For a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity To Operate a Processed

Methane Gas Distribution System in Johnson City, Tennessee

This memorandum will document that, during December 12, 2005 Authority Conference, I requested that I be allowed to recuse myself from the above-referenced proceeding due to an unexpected schedule change that prevented me from participating in the scheduled hearing in the docket. I stated that my recusal would permit the matter to move forward without undue delay or prejudice that might otherwise occur if the hearing was postponed.

Chairman Jones approved my request. Director Miller became a member of the panel and participated in the hearing.¹ ESG Pipeline did not object to either the request for recusal or the participation of Director Miller in this proceeding.

cc: Chairman Ron Jones

Director Pat Miller Director Sara Kyle Henry Walker, Esq.

¹ Transcript of Authority Conference, p. 15-16 (December 12, 2005).